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SUBJ: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SCIENCE PANEL MEETING

REF: DEPT A-103 TO BONN

1. DEPT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY EXTENDING INVITATION TO MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND EDUCATION HANS LEUSSINK ON BEHALF OF CHAIRMAN GEORGE P. MILLER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND ASTRONAUTICS TO PARTICIPATE IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SCIENCE PANEL MEETING JANUARY 26 THROUGH 28. IF HE ACCEPTS, MINISTER LEUSSINK WOULD BE EXPECTED TO PRESENT A PAPER ON THE MORNING OF JANUARY 27 DEALING WITH THE GENERAL AREA OF SCIENCE POLICY. THE COMMITTEE HAS SUGGESTED THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE PAPER COVER FRG SCIENCE POLICY GOALS OR OBJECTIVES AND THE EFFECT OF THE INTER-RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ON SUCH GOALS. IF MINISTER LEUSSINK'S SCHEDULE PERMITS HIS ATTENDANCE, CHAIRMAN MILLER WILL FORWARD FORMAL LETTER OF INVITATION WITH FURTHER DETAILS.

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WM IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVITATION, DEPT WOULD BE WILLING TO ARRANGE APPROPRIATE INVITATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS FOR MINISTER LEUSSINK WITHIN THE DEPT AND IN THE WASHINGTON SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY ON S AND T MATTERS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THE FRG. UNDERSTAND NASA IS PLANNING TO EXTEND INVITATION TO MINISTER LEUSSINK TO WITNESS LAUNCHING OF APOLLO 14 ON JANUARY 31.

3. REINBURSEMENT FOR TRANSPORTATION COST TO HOUSE SCIENCE PANEL MEETING INCLUDED IN REFERENCED AIRGRAM.

4. IF LEUSSINK'S SCHEDULE PREVENTS ACCEPTING MILLER'S INVITATION, NAMES OF ALTERNATE CANDIDATES WOULD BE APPRECIATED ON URGENT BASIS. GOOD COMMAND OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE NECESSARY. HOUSE COMMITTEE MUST FINALIZE SELECTION PARTICIPANTS SOONEST. IRWIN

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